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FUSE ARRANGEMENTS AND FUSE BOXES FOR A VEHICLE

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated Feb 4, 2003, please amend the abovereferenced application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 11 as follows:

In the embodiment illustrated, the cover 44 includes an integral common bus terminal 46 that connects with each of the fuses 48 via the fuse terminals 49. The common bus terminal 46 is preferably connected to the positive terminal voltage B+ of the vehicle battery, shown connected at node 54. As seen in Figure 1, the positive terminal voltage B+ of the vehicle battery powers a plurality of rows of automotive fuses.

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In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 19 as follows:

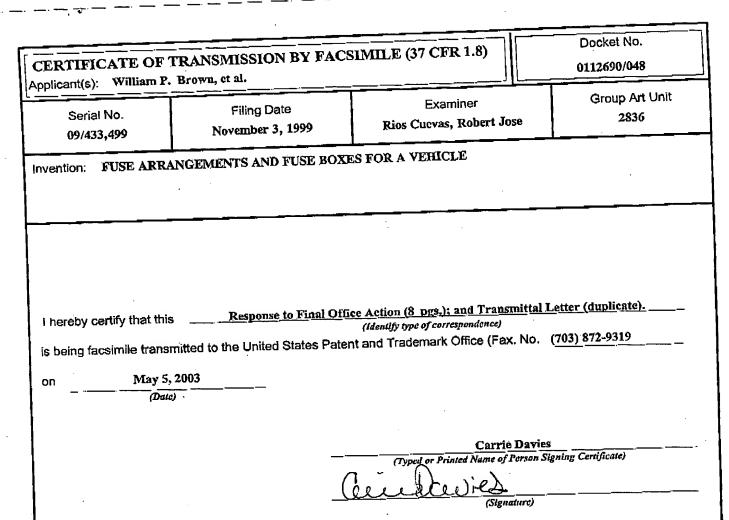
(Twice Amended) A fuse box arrangement for a vehicle comprising:

a fuse box having a base and a cover;

a common bus terminal within the fuse box, the common bus terminal connected to a voltage supply;

a plurality of wire terminals within the fuse box, each of the plurality of wire terminals connected to a discrete circuit; and

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